Colored Dots

The general public is cordially invited to attend the regular preaching services at the Galilee Baptist Church this Sunday morning at the 11:30 A. M. and 8 P. M. services. The pastor, Rev. Lawing, will deliver the morning message and the Rev. E. G. Hall will deliver the 8 P. M. sermon and his choir from the Popular Lawn Baptist Church of Bedford will render special music. This choir is noted for its interperation of spirituals and gospel songs. Please attend this service and be richly blessed.

Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah Megginson of Concord, Va., announce the marriage of their daughter, Averdia Lee, to Mr. Rudolf Tibbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Tibbs of Appomattox on Saturday, March 19, at 7 P. M., at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Beasly. A reception will be held at the home of Mrs. Modessa Jordan following the wedding.

The Cavalier Singers of Farmville Va., will render a special musical program at the Mount Airy Baptist Church on March 13 at 8 P. M. The program will be sponsored by the Usher Board of the church. Charles Booker is president and Shirley Pennix is secretary.

Rev. C. A. Marshall performed the following wedding ceremonies at his home; on Friday, February 25, Earl Daye and Miss Christine Johnson, of Springfield community and March 1 Miss Rubie Lee Jennings and Lenard Marshall of Pamplin, Va. Relatives and friends of the brides and grooms witnessed the ceremonies.

Impressive services were held at the Proving Land Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor delivered a sermon on Brotherhood. All present enjoyed the message. The church rendered beautiful music. The offering was very good.

The public is invited to attend the community bible class at the First Baptist Church this Sunday at 3 P. M.

A large crowd attended the musical program at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday evening. The program was presented by the local Kings of Harmony. All present enjoyed the program.

The regular monthly meeting of the County Teachers Association will be held at the Carver-Price High School this coming Thursday instead of Monday evening at the same hour. All teachers are asked to be present and pay their local dues.

Carretta Elliott, of Spout Spring Va., has completed the course in illustrating and cartooning and has received her diploma from the School of Art Illustration, Inc. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mrs. Henreitta Miller, the poetess will appear at the St. Luke Baptist Church Sunday, March 6, 1955, at 7:30 P. M., in a recital. Mrs. Ametha Jones, at the piano. Mrs. Louise Canada is the sponsor. Everyone is invited to please attend.

The St. Luke church members are planning a repair job on the church, so as to put a heating unit in the church.

Mrs. Louise Canada will spend the 6th at her home and attend church in honor of their anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Haskins and Mr. and Mrs. James Coles were business visitors in Appomattox recently.

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Agent Retires

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R. B. Hudgins succeeded Byrne as County Agent.

One of the first problems he had to face was the declining price of dark tobacco, at that time the principal farm commodity in the market place. Tobacco prices took a nose-dive with the fall of the old Tri-State Tobacco Growers Association. Appomattox needed a way to make a living on the farm, and as times tightened in the near-depression era, Hudgins had a big task. The morale of the farmer was low, and tobacco acreages fell off, numbers of live-stock decreased, investments in fertilizer slumped, and the economy in general hit bottom. But the same thing was going on all over the nation, and a major cause of the depression of 1928-33 was the poverty of the farmer.

Hudgins believed that the answer to the farmer's problem could be found. To maintain morale was a vital concern. Appomattox County needed a diversity of crops, and so the County Agent began to suggest more livestock, poultry, swine. He advocated rotation of crops, with the use of more lime, clovers, mixed grasses and high analysis fertilizer. And he was quick to see the long-range value of pastures.

About this time lespedeza was introduced in a big way into the county. Those unable to use lime or whose land was not strong enough for the use of clover, were urged to try lespedeza. The lespedeza program took over, and any history of Appomattox County in the 1930's would have to feature lespedeza. Soon Hudgins urged that Appomattox become independent for lespedeza seed and that was the way it worked out.

In the middle 1930's, a vast new program was conceived for the nation, and in rapid fire order the Federal government took the lead to preach soil conservation, rural electrification and a complete revolution of farm life.

The basic thinking of the Appomattox County Agent was that the farmer should not lose his independence of action and that many problems could be solved at the local level. He renewed his suggestions as to cattle on good pastures, and saw that dairying and beef cattle could become a major source of income in this area.

In 1890, this county had a mere 1,153 acres of hay. By 1930, it was 3,300 acres on 668 farms. But with fervent effort, the program began 4,450 acres seeded to clover, 5,008 acres seeded to lespedeza, 493 acres to red top and timothy, and so on, to a total of well over 10,000 acres in legumes and other grasses.

And so, when Appomattox began to get the pastures and the livestock, the problem became one of building markets.

In December, 1944, the Coble Company established a milk receiving station here, and it was a proud moment for Hudgins to have had a hand in building up the pastures and livestock to the point where its marketing justified a local milk receiving station. Not to be overlooked in this development, had been the establishment of a lime grinding plant in the county.

There followed quickly, the movement to Grade A Milk, and as the war boom developed, Appomattox farmers were in a position to step in with record production. The profits made for mechinization of the farm and surplus farm labor turned to timber and industrial jobs.

Through these years, many honors have come to Appomattox's County Agent. One of the principal ones, in the view of this newspaper, is the long list of young men who have trained here as assistant agents and then go on to establish themselves in positions of farm leadership elsewhere in the state. Appomattox has developed a reputation as a "proving ground" to turn out capable men to lead in Extension work. Mr. Hudgins can point to many men who got their training in his office.

Other honors, too, have come his way. He is a member of Epsilon Sigma Phi, national honorary fraternity. He has won innumerable certificates from the national association of county agents and other farm groups.

On top of all the honors given Hudgins, however, one could mention one that came to him in 1948. That was the occasion when he received a letter from a 4-H Club boy—William Moon, Jr., of Spout Spring. Moon said that he had resolved that at least once a year he would write a letter of appreciation to someone who had helped him in life. And he wanted Appomattox County Agent Hudgins to be that man. Young Moon led him into 4-H work, and wrote a swell letter. He said that there should be more letters to the young Moon—now a young man—from his foster.

Hudgins likes to receive letters like that. It is all the more fun when the time comes to gather all these messages—and all the certificates, notes and clippings, that you get to the realization years of work have produced results.

And so, Appomattox County Forward to having a new Agent next month, when Hudgins will take over. He is stepping in able footsteps in the case of B. G. Anderson, W. T. Byrne, and "Rube" Hudgins.

As for the future of Hudgins, he has lots of plans, but he is doing some of the things his career had caused to be put off until just such a day as this.

CLASSIFIED ADS

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for the kindness shown to us during the illness and the death of the late Mrs. Ruth Drinkard Martin; for the beautiful flowers, the cards and gifts.

T. Raymond Martin
and family.
(1tc)

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone at the Appomattox Garment Co. for the beautiful gifts and donations.

Virgie L. Jamerson.
(1tp)

CARD OF APPRECIATION

We wish to thank all our neighbors and friends for the kindness shown us at the time our home was destroyed by fire.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carson
and Mr. E. H. Carson.
(1tc)

CARD OF THANKS

The members of the family of the late Mrs. Glenna Morris wish to express their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to friends, neighbors, relatives and all those who were so kind in their expressions of sympathy, beautiful floral offerings during their recent bereavement.

—Mrs. David Paulette.
(1tp)

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends, neighbors and relatives for their kindness in every way during our recent tragedy and bereavement We will remember you always.

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Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

Is there a Chess Player in the house? R. V. Leffers, one of the gop-fuller men out at the Transco Compressor Station, is looking for someone who plays chess. Offhand, we don't know of any, but we do know that chess is a wonderful game. We used to play it quite a bit in our high school days in Portsmouth, Va. You play on a checker board, but the game is much more complicated than checkers, and takes you longer to play a game. Maybe we do have some chess players in our audience. If so, get in touch with Mr. Leffers!

Although we have been increasing our press runs, we have sold out of copies of the paper nearly every week this year. We increased the press run last week, in anticipation of an expected demand, but we did not increase it enough, and we sold out completely and had to disappoint many who wanted papers. All dealers also sold out in a hurry. We plan to have enough copies this week.

It seems that I never catch up with my reading anent the War between the States. An interesting item came up recently in a volume I was studying. It seems that in the Mexican War, while Robert E. Lee was a captain on the staff of Gen. Winfield Scott, a lieutenant by the name of Ulysses S. Grant had made a reconnaisance and upon completion rushed at once to make his report; to Capt. Lee. Grant had on field dress, full of the dust and dirt of Mexico, but he considered report more important than appearance. But Capt. Lee suggested that Lieut. Grant go to his tent and then present himself in his rank. So, it might be said that the contrast in uniform of the Appomattox had been foreshadowed the earlier experience in the Mexican War.

Mrs. Henry Pack telephoned in to report that they had a parakeet bird belong to the owner. The tiny bird had flown on the shoulder of her son Frederick, and seemed ready to remain "home."

GLENDALE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Glendale Home Demonstration Club met March 2 at the home of Mrs. F. J. Nash, Sr.

The meeting started at 10:00 A. M. with an old-time quilting party, then at 2:00 P. M. the meeting was called to order by Mrs. W. Overton, the president.

Mrs. G. Anderson, home agent assistant, Miss Catherine Bruce, told us how to buy and how to hose. There were 19 members present. Four new members were received.

DR. KYLE H. OULD

Dr. Kyle Herman Ould, 56, died Saturday night, March 4, at his home, 1 Grant Ave., Norfolk. He had been declining health for several years.

Born Sept. 6, 1898, in Bedford County, he was the son of Dr. Kyle Ould and the late Mrs. Ella Ballou Ould.

He was employed as Leading Man Petty Officer in the Naval Air Station, Norfolk, for the past 13 years.

A member of Monroe Masonic Lodge, AF&AM, No. 301, Appomattox.

He is survived, in addition to his wife, by his wife, Mrs. Ethel Shield Ould; two children, William R. Ould, Appomattox; Richard T. Ould, Norfolk; Mrs. Alton M. Butler, Norfolk; one sister, Mrs. Robert W. Manning, N. H.; a brother, W. Powell Ould, Appomattox; three grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was a member of Memorial Baptist Church here, where funeral services were held Monday at 3 P. M., by the pastor, the Rev. B. Price. Masonic rites at the graveside in Liberty Cemetery were by the members of Monroe Lodge.

Honorary pallbearers were: J. A. Johnson, John Harvey, Charles T. Wright, Jr.; George F. Abbitt, Jr., Hon. Watt M. Abbitt, F. L. Murphy, Jr., J. A. Burke and W. W. Burke.

To Consolidate Two County High Schools

Plunkett Announces for Co. Treasurer

J. Garland Plunkett announced today that he would be a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Appomattox County, subject to the Primary Election. Mr. Plunkett is at present Deputy Treasurer.

Thus, with filing deadline a month away, the county has three candidates in the field.

J. H. O'Brien, incumbent, today announced that he would be a candidate for re-election as Commissioner of Revenue. Mr. O'Brien is a veteran county officer, and as of current report, no opposition is anticipated to his re-election.

Last week, F. L. Murphy announced that he would seek another term as Southside Supervisor.

Mr. Plunkett, a native of Appomattox, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. David Plunkett, of Appomattox. He received his education at Appomattox High School and at V. P. I. where he graduated in 1936. He is a veteran of World War II. His wife is the former Reva Robertson of Appomattox. Prior to becoming deputy treasurer in July, 1953, Mr. Plunkett followed his profession as an accountant.

Committee Named to Seek Dr. for County

A meeting was held here Monday night at the school auditorium to consider ways and means of meeting a two-fold goal: to secure additional medical services in the county, and to perpetuate a memorial to the late Dr. David A. Christian III.

Well over 100 attended the meeting and visiting medical authorities were present to lend counsel.

A number of committees were appointed to further the two-fold projects.

MAYBERRY MOVED TO LYNCHBURG JAIL

Frank Mayberry, accused in the Feb. 25 double slayings at Evergreen, was transferred this week to Lynchburg Jail from the state penitentiary at Richmond. Mayberry, 48, had been hospitalized at the penitentiary for wounds he suffered in a 90-minute gunfight with officers after the fatal shootings occurred. Slain as a result of the grim tragedy were Jack Brown Tucker and Dr. D. A. Christian, III.

It is likely that preliminary hearing in the case will be held next week.

SRO Sign Out For Hudgins Testimonial

Dr. John R. Hutcheson, of V. P. I. and Representative Watkins M. Abbitt will address a banquet here tonight, honoring County Agent R. B. Hurgins, who will retire as of March 31. John Cole will be toastmaster. The banquet is scheduled for the high school cafeteria.

Plans for the testimonial banquet began weeks ago and friends of Mr. Hudgins were given an opporunity to make reservations. We are informed that the capacity of accomodation is 150, and that 150 reservations have been made, so the banquet is "a sell out."

MR. E. H. PAULETTE

Mr. Ernest Hunter Paulette, 81, died at his home here Friday afternoon, after an illness of three weeks.

Born in this county November 12, 1873, he was the son of Harvey and Frances Moseley Paulette. He was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Memorial Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Vaninka Barksdale Paulette; four daughters, Miss Macca Paulette, of Appomattox; Mrs. Ida Allen, of Pamplin; Mrs. Betty Nuckols, of Farmville; Mrs. Viola Mann, Evergreen; a son, Charlie H. Paulette, of Evergreen; a brother, S. Tilden Paulette, of Appomattox and four grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Sunday at 3 P. M. at the family cemetery, at the home of S. Tilden Paulette, Appomattox, by the Rev. B. T. Price.

Mrs. Kyle Spoke To Woman's Club Monday

Mrs. Roy E. Kyle, of Bedford, former state president of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, was the guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Woman's Club of Appomattox on Monday evening at the school cafeteria. In introducing Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. William P. Williams, of Brookneal, president of the Alice Kyle District of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, reviewed the speaker's educational background and her statewide activity in church, civic and welfare organizations. Mrs. Williams stated that Mrs. Kyle holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Maryville College, Kentucky; a diploma in dramatics and a Master of Arts degree from George Peabody College, and that she has taught both in high schools and colleges and at present holds a teaching position in Bedford.

Mrs. Kyle immediately pleased her audience when she told of the reverence she had always associated with Appomattox since when a little girl she had heard her grandmother tell fascinating stories of historic Appomattox.

Public affairs, democracy and education were incorporated in the speaker's address. She prefaced her remarks by quoting Margaret Chase Smith as saying, "Individual freedom enjoyed by citizens such as ours today carries with it the responsibility of thinking." She urged women to sponsor public forums and discussions on vital issues, and to go to the polls and express their views and elect the candidates they want rather than defeat the candidate not wanted. "An active minority sometimes becomes the majority," said Mrs. Kyle.

"Traitors are not only those who give out atomic secrets but talk about rights and forget duty; claim liberty and forget loyalty. Flaws in our government are the effects of indifference on the part of the citizens," the speaker said.

Mrs. Kyle believes that freedom of the Western World will be won or lost in the class rooms of this country. She declared that our children are our most valuable assets and it is necessary that they have well trained leaders and wise guidance to prepare for the fast-changing future. She told of the crying needs of the schools, namely, the over-crowded classrooms, understaffed schools, inadequate school equipment and the shortage of teachers. She reminded her listen-

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Young Farmers Met March 8

The regular meeting of the Appomattox Young Farmers' Club was held on March 8, at 7:30 P. M., in the agriculture building at the Appomattox High School. Sam Davidson, club president, presided.

Mr. Ed Dickerson, of the Soil Conservation office led a discussion on land judging and appreciation. Mr. W. Lewis Motley assisted in the discussion, which proved interesting to all.

The next meeting will be held on April 12, at 7:30.

LIONS CLUB MEETING IS POSTPONED

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Appomattox Lions Club will not be held tonight, in order to avoid conflict with another banquet to be held at the school cafeteria here. March meetings of the Lions Club will be held the third and the fifth Thursdays.

National 4-H Club Week Is Being Observed in Appomattox

This is National 4-H Club Week, and the activities of this organization are being brought to the attention of the public.

The twenty 4-H Clubs in Appomattox County hold their meetings in the classrooms of the schools this year. In this way more boys and girls are contacted and receive benefit of the work, even though they may not be club members.

There are enrolled 586 in all the clubs, and all members are carrying one in-school project, which is on the farm and home electric work.

The club officers and their teacher sponsors are as follows:

Appomattox Senior Club
Pres., Thomas Weakley
Vice-pres., Gene Carson
Sec.-treas., Betty Jean Goad
Reporter, Betty Mitchell
H. E. Kerr, principal
Dr. Aubrey Keesee, supervisor.

Mrs. Lyle Caldwell's 4-H Club
Pres., Kitty Lou O'Brien
Vice-pres., Patsy Jamerson
Sec.-treas., Diane McCormick
Reporter, Mary Catherine Mitchell
Song leaders, Patricia Price and Doris Mayberry.

Mrs. Ola Furbush's 4-H Club
Pres., Linda Rush
Vice-pres., Virginia Ferguson
Secc-treas., Freddie Wingfield
Reporter, Hal Flood
Song leaders: Cary Ann Carson and Freddie Wingfield.

Mrs. T. M. Cunningham's 4-H Club
Pres., Samuel Shouse
Vice-pres., Tommy Ashworth
Sec.-treas., Luther Lewis
Reporter, Patsy Wilcox
Song leaders, Aubrey Gibson and Patsy Wilcox.

Mrs. DeWitt Evans' 4-H Club
Pres., Patricia Phelps
Vice-pres., Harold Conner
Sec.-treas., Larry Torrence
Reporter, Howlette Hunter
Song leaders, Gail Martin and Freddie Johnson.

Miss Flora B. Williams 4-H Club
Pres., Emily Wood Burke
Vice-pres., Jo Ann Beamer
Sec.-treas., Phyllis Branch.
Reporter, Charles Gills
Song leaders, Diane Harvey and Dickie Chandler.

Spout Spring 4-H Club
(Mrs. Dan Thomas)
Pres., Richard Grubbs
Vice-pres., Floyd Coleman
Sec.-treas., Mildred Jean Franklin
Reporter, Sara Adams.
Song leaders, Betty Mae O'Brien and Sandra Pillow.

Miss Nola Burkey's 4-H Club
Pres., Watkins Abbitt
Vice-pres., Pete Ferguson
Sec.-treas., Jean Moses
Reporter, Phyllis Mayberry
Song leaders, Susan Ann Gills and Blaine Carter.

Mrs. Owen Carson's 4-H Club
Pres., Brod Pack
Vice-pres., Steve Rnukle
Sec.-treas., Penny Abbitt
Reporter, Carol Fay Couch
Song leaders, Johnnie Taylor and Myrtle Moore.

Mrs. Thelma Martin's 4-H Club
Pres., Bill Allen Burke
Vice-pres., Mary Lou Jamerson
Sec.-treas., Marlene Barger
Reporter, James Whitehead
Song leaders, Mary Lou Jamerson and Billy Trent.

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OBSERVER CORPS ON DUTY SATURDAY

The local Ground Observer Corps will hold a practice exercise on Saturday. The group has been notified by the Roanoke Filter Center that the exercise will be held from 8:00 A. M. to 8:00 P. M. Chief Observer John Ivey Holland asks that all members take part.

COUNTRY LANE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Country Lane Home Demonstration Club met on March 4, at 7:30 P. M. in the home of Mrs. Charlie Carter, with ten members present. Mrs. Fred Smith gave the devotionals. Miss Katherine Johnson gave an interesting talk and illustrations on buying hose.

VERA 4-H CLUB

The Vera 4-H Club will meet at the Vera school on Monday, March 14, at 9:00 A. M.

Present plans call for the consolidation of the Pamplin and Appomattox High Schools, the only white high schools in the county. The consolidation is slated to become effective with the new session beginning next September.

Tuesday of this week, a large delegation of citizens from the Pamplin area appeared before the Appomattox County School Board and presented petitions and verbal appeals that the planned consolidation be rescinded. Some 100 were in the group. After presenting the petition, a number of citizens spoke for retention of the high school department at Pamplin. Cecil Ligon, Mack Inge, A. R. Southall, L. E. Dickerson and others were heard by the board.

It is understood, however, that although these representations were given careful consideration by the board, no action was taken to rescind a previous decision to consolidate the two high schools.

Consolidation of the two schools would add some 80 pupils to the enrollment here. At present there are slightly over 80 pupils in the high school department at Pamplin, with a faculty of a principal and five teachers. The school maintains a home economics, business and agriculture department as well as regular high school subjects. The Pamplin High School, with a record of some forty years of service, has ranked high in all categories, and the desire of the citizens of that community to retain the school is readily understood. No community likes to lose its high school.

This could be the final step in the long school consolidation movement in this county. A few years ago, high schools were maintained at Spout Spring, Oakville, Stonewall, Liberty Chapel and Vera, as well as at Appomattox and Pamplin. Some of these schools were then reduced to offering only two years of high school work.

However, with increased enrollment and desirability of offering a wider course of study, and with the development of an effective transportation system to go with better roads, there began a movement all over the nation to combine schools into a large central high school, offering an expanded curriculum and a modern physical plant.

In Appomattox County it was obvious that the central high school would be located at the county seat. It provided the largest enrollment from its own community, and was centrally located so as to serve the other communities of the county.

At present, high school pupils are transported to Appomattox from all areas of the county except Pamplin, with many coming from Gladstone and the Campbell County line.

It is presumed that Pamplin teachers will be transferred to Appomattox next September and, if so, they will bring added experience and a record of achievement to the present faculty. The athletic department of the combined school is also sure to prosper, as Pamplin has fielded outstanding teams in competitive sports in recent years.

School authorities are currently pressed to work out balanced budgets in their operations, but the school board placed economy at the bottom of their list of reasons for deciding for the consolidation. The persuading motive was how best to present a modern high school program to the youth of the county. It was felt that the facilities of the Appomattox school were such that as of next September, when the new elementary school plant here is put into operation, and more space will be available at the high school, the cause of modern education could best be served by having one central high school for the county. The desire was to offer extra advantages to the pupils from the Pamplin area as much as to bring the county high school into a more compact unit.

Christian Family Acknowledges Sympathy

We present below a statement from the family of Dr. David A. Christian, Jr. The tragic death of Dr. David A. Christian, III, Feb. 25 saddened the community and was the occasion of widespread expressions of respect for the family:—

"I have had expressions of sympathy from hundreds of people — many, many cards and every imaginable thing that could be done to show the love that everyone had for my son, David A. Christian, III.

"Words cannot express, pen or pencil trace, the deeds that have been done in the love of the community, and the desire to lighten the load on me and my son's wife and children—God walks in a mysterious way; His wonders to perform—He plants His footsteps on the sea and rides upon the storm.'

"I do not doubt God's wisdom and I pray that I may meet my son in Heaven—and I ask the prayers of everyone to help me.

"'My last great want, absorbing all
Is, when beneath the sod,
And summoned to my final call,
The mercy of my God.'

Extract of A Letter By A
Friend of the Family

"I am thankful that we do not have to understand these strange dispensations, although we do have to accept them. I always lean on what the Master said to Peter: (St. John, Chapt. 13, Ver. 7)

"'What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shall know hereafter.'

"Nor do we understand the acid tests, which burn away the impurities and leave the pure gold, and enable us to claim the promise that the pure in heart shall see God.

"We pray to God that He may help you in this dark hour, for sure we know the agony of it all. But we want to remind you that a wonderful crown is waiting fo you, for only eternity can reveal the work you have done for suffering humanity. Inasmuch as you did it unto these ye did it unto me.'—the Master's words.

"To us it seems that you have had more than your share of sorrow—but the harder the cross, the brighter the crown—and 'Lo, I am with you always' is the promise.

"We are praying for all the bereaved, but especially for you, his wife and children.

"May God be with you all.'

Christ the Comforter
"Beside the dead I knelt for prayer
And felt a presence as I prayed
Lo! it was Jesus standing there,
He smiled: 'Be not afraid!'

"Lord, Thou hast conquered death
we know,
Restore again to life,' I said
'This one who died an hour ago,'
He smiled: 'He is not dead!'

"'Asleep, then, as thyself didst say
Yet thou canst lift the lids that keep
His prisoned eyes from ours away?'
He smiled: 'He does not sleep!'

"'Nay, then, though haply he do
wake
and look upon some fairer dawn
Restore him to our hearts that ache!'
He smiled: 'He is not gone!'

"'Alas! Too well we know our loss,
Nor hope again our joy to touch,
Until the stream of Death we cross.'
He smiled: 'There is no such!'

"'Yet our beloved seems so far,
The while we yearn to feel them
near,
Albeit with Thee we trust they are.'
He smiled: 'And I am here!'

"'Dear Lord, how shall we know
that they
Still walk unseen with us and Thee,
Nor sleep, nor wander far away?'
He smiled: 'Abide with me.'"

(R. W. Raymond).

Legion Aux. Meets Monday

Unit 104, American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 8:00 P. M. on March 14, in the home of Mrs. Fred Smith. The hostesses will be Mrs. Smith, Mrs. T. E. Dickerson and Miss Hilda Cabiness. The Community Service program will have a speaker from the State Police Division. Mrs. Ruth Critz, of McLean, Va., State Community Service chairman, will be a guest of the unit.